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BIOMEDIA WATER TREATMENT"

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the office action mailed 22 July 1999, Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1 and 2, drawn to a method of separating matter. Applicants make this election with traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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